

Subject **RE: Mapua Footpath**
From Richard Hilton <Richard.Hilton@tasman.govt.nz>
To secretary@ourmapua.org <secretary@ourmapua.org>
Cc Jim Vause and Annette <vauses@gmail.com>
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Hi Lou

The Below email to Jim was in my Drafts , apologies I thought it had been sent to you

Dear Jim

I am responding to the below email sent on the 5th of April regarding footpaths in Mapa linking Toru street to Stafford drive, At this time there is no direct plans to link the footpaths, though the conclusion of the Mapua master plan and consultation process may provide some direction.

For your interest, there are three obstacles to the walkway being connected/constructed. Two of the impediments are across private drives requiring easements, acquired through subdivision and/or boundary changes, this can be time consuming and particularly difficult requiring support from the landowners. unfortunately properties on the open market does not provide a mechanism for acquiring easements, unless they were to be purchased.

31 Toru street and the adjoining estuary, doesn't have the same hurdles, potentially there is space outside the neighbours boundary to construct a path even on dry land., the area is full of pampas grass which at some point should be controlled and replaced with native estuary species a path may be possible without damaging the environment or impacting on the bird life

Kind Regards
Richard

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-----Original Message-----

From: secretary@ourmapua.org <secretary@ourmapua.org>

Sent: Sunday, April 21, 2024 1:54 PM

To: Richard Hilton <Richard.Hilton@tasman.govt.nz>; Richard Kirby <Richard.Kirby@tasman.govt.nz>

Subject: Mapua Footpath

Kia Ora Richard and Richard,

Following up on our email of 05 April 2024, we are interested whether or not TDC is making any moves to secure footpath access along the Mapua estuary up to Stafford Drive while these properties are in ownership transition.

This is a project we have been pursuing together since 2019.
Is there anything we can do to move things along?

Looking forward to hearing your thoughts,

MDCA Executive Committee
c/o Acting Secretary, Lou Gallagher